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    G. DALLAS HORTON & ASSOCIATES, a
                                             CASE NO.
                                                        2:15-cv-01693-JCM-GWF
    Nevada Corporation:
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                                             PLAINTIFF'S REPLY TO
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               Plaintiff.
                                             DEFENDANT SOUTHWEST
                                             AIRLINES CO. FUNDED WELFARE
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                                             BENEFIT PLAN'S RESPONSE TO
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    CYNTHIA HARRIS, an individual,
                                             MOTION TO DISTRIBUTE FUNDS
    LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP:
                                             PURSUANT TO FRCP 22
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    THE LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE
    INSURANCE COMPANY;
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    CIGNA GROUP INSURANCE:
    LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH
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    AMERICA;
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    BENEFIT RECOVERY, INC.;
    UNITED HEALTHCARE OF NEVADA
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    INCOPORATED:
    AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE;
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    FREMONT EMERGENCY SERVICES;
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    RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES OF NEVADA:
    ST. ROSE DOMINICAN -
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    SAN MARTIN CAMPUS;
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    ALIGN CHIROPRACTIC CENTENNIAL
    GROUP;
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    ANTHEM CHIROPRACTIC;
    SELECT PHYSICAL THERAPY:
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    PERSONAL PRIMARY CARE, P.C.
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    LAS VEGAS RADIOLOGY;
    MEDICAL FUNDING RESOURCES:
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ADVANCED ORTHOPEDICS & SPORTS)
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DOE I-V, inclusive; and ROE I-V, inclusive,)
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Defendants.	_)
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PLAINTIFF'S REPLY TO DEFENDANT SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. FUNDED WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN'S RESPONSE TO MOTION TO DISTRIBUTE FUNDS PURSUANT TO FRCP 22

COMES NOW, Plaintiff, by and through it's attorney, DAVID L. THOMAS, ESQ., of the law firm G. DALLAS HORTON & ASSOCIATES and files this Reply to Defendant Southwest Airlines Co. Funded Welfare Benefit Plan's Response to Motion to Distribute Funds pursuant to FRCP 22.

DATED this 18th day of February, 2016.

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I.

INTRODUCTION

An interpleader Plaintiff "is supposed to be disinterested in the ultimate disposition of the" interpleader fund. *Mut. of Omaha Ins. Co. v. Estate of Arachikavitz*, No. 2:06-CV-00830-BES, 2007 WL 2788604, at *5 (D. Nev. Sept. 21, 2007). As such, the Interpleader Plaintiff has taken no position as to the disposition of the funds beyond what the Nevada Supreme Court stated in *Michel v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court ex rel. County of Clark*, 117 Nev. 145, 150-51, 17

P.3d 1003, 2007 (Nev., 2001): The Interpleader Plaintiff's lien has priority over other lienholders and is not subject to any sharing with other lienholders.

Here, the interpleader fund is \$35,000.00. Based on *Michel* the Interpleader Plaintiff's only position is that it is entitled to its entire \$13,285.91 out of the \$35,000.00 in available funds. Under *Arachikavitz*, the Interpleader Plaintiff is disinterested in, and takes no position on, how to distribute the remaining funds.

Southwest Airlines' ("SWA") position does not change the fact that the Interpleader Plaintiff is entitled to its entire lien amount.

A. SWA's Position does not Change the Results the Interpleader Plaintiff Requests

SWA's position and cited authority indicate that SWA has priority over all the other lienholders, including the Interpleader Plaintiff. However, neither SWA nor any other Interpleader Defendant disputes the Interpleader Plaintiff's interpretation of *Michel*. Likewise, SWA does not argue that the Interpleader Plaintiff has to share its lien with any other lienholder after SWA's lien is satisfied.

As shown below, the Court can satisfy both SWA's lien and the Interpleader Plaintiff's liens in their entirety and still have money left to distribute to the other Interpleader Defendants remaining in the action on any basis that the Court sees fit. The Interpleader Plaintiff's lien is \$13,285.91. SWA's lien is for \$9,124.56. These two liens total \$22,410.47.

The total amount of interpleader funds is \$35,000.00. If the Court satisfies both SWA's lien and the Interpleader Plaintiff's lien in their entirety, there would still be \$12,589.53 in interpleader funds remaining for the other Interpleader Defendants for the Court to distribute.

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CONCLUSION

The above being true, SWA's position does not dilute the Interpleader Plaintiff's right to its entire lien amount of \$13,285.91. The Interpleader Plaintiff again respectfully requests that the Court order the Interpleader Plaintiff receive that amount.

DATED this 18th day of February, 2016.

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 2 I hereby certify that a copy of the above and foregoing document entitled PLAINTIFF'S 3 REPLY TO DEFENDANT SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. FUNDED WELFARE 4 BENEFIT PLAN'S RESPONSE TO MOTION TO DISTRIBUTE FUNDS PURSUANT 5 TO FRCP 22 has been served upon all counsel of record by using the United States District 6 7 Court, District of Nevada's Case Management/Electronic Case Filing System that will 8 electronically mail notification to the following counsel of record: 9 Ingrid Patin, Esq. 10 PATIN LAW GROUP, PLLC 7925 W. Russell Road, No. 401714 11 Las Vegas, Nevada 89140 Attorneys for Defendant, 12 ALIGN CHIROPRACTIC 13 Puneet K. Garg, Esq. 14 GARG GOLDEN LAW FIRM 8880 W. Sunset Road, Suite #275 15 Las Vegas, Nevada 89148 16 Attorneys for Defendant, ANTHEM CHIROPRACTIC 17 18 Joshua A. Sliker, Esq. BARRON & PRUITT, LLP 19 3890 West Ann Road North Las Vegas, Nevada 89031 20 Attorneys for Defendant, 21 THE SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN, incorrectly named 22 as SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. FUNDED WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN; 23 24 Sarah A. Morris, Esq. Brian A. Morris, Esq. 25 **MORRIS & MORRIS** 6085 W. Twain Ave., Suite 201 26 Las Vegas, Nevada 89103 27 Attorneys for Defendant, MEDICAL FUNDING RESOURCES 28

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